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This is Tokyo Swordia,
the city that was once known as Tokyo Metro-politan.
Being on the border of the Third World War 70 years ago
we are ruled by Swordie from another world
女子寮
SIGN: GIRLS DORMITORY
"SWORDIE" ARE A SPECIES WHICH ARE AFFECTIONATE TOWARDS BLADES.
AFFECT-IONATE... TOWARDS BLADES?
THIS IS THE STORY OF THE BOYS AND GIRLS WHO LIVE IN THIS WORLD OF SWORDS.

剣神の継承者
プロローグ
WAIT A MINUTE!
YES. IT SEEMS THAT THEY HAVE THE UNIQUE TRAIT OF BEING ATTRACTED TO STRONG SWORDSMEN.
WHY ARE YOU PEOPLE HERE!?
Sefi
Species: Swordie
THIS IS MY ROOM!

GRR... HOW ARRO-GANT.
YOU DON'T NEED TO BE SO NOISY. YOU'LL DISTURB THE OTHER DORM RESIDENTS.
Kurou
Species: Human
THE SOFA IS SO FLUFFY.
AT ANY RATE, THIS SURE IS A COMFOR-TABLE ROOM.
Hmm?
YES.
THERE WAS EVEN THIS FABULOUS CONFEC-TIONERY IN THE REFRIGE-RATOR.
WAIT... THAT'S MY CAKE!
Sakurai Hinako
Species: Human

I'M NOT ASKING FOR YOUR IMPRESSION!
JUST THE RIGHT AMOUNT OF SWEETNESS, COMBINED WITH A SLIGHT TINGE OF BITTERNESS. IT PLAYS A BEAUTIFUL HARMONY...
WHY ARE YOU JUST EATING THAT AS YOU PLEASE!?
RELAX, SEFI.
CALM DOWN.
WHAT ARE YOU ...
KYAAAA!

"Swordie" have an overwhelming sense of swordsmanship, making them all swordswomen from birth.
ROU!
DOING!!
RECTIFY YOUR HABIT OF SEXUALLY HARASSING PEOPLE ALREADY!
While seemingly identical to humans in appear-ance,
they are far superior in terms of speed and power.

This country is basically ruled by Swordies.
Even if there is a difference in the degree, they are still considered upper-class
REALLY, YOU GUYS SURE ARE CAREFREE.
SAME HERE.
IT'S POSSIBLE TO GET EXPELLED IF YOU DO POORLY IN THE TOURNAMENT, RIGHT?
I WAS EVEN RETRAINING MYSELF BY WATCHING THE TOURNAMENT.
THAT WOULD BE TROUBLESOME...
But it's also possible for humans to reach that class

KUROU-KUN, IF YOU WANT THE SOCIAL STANDING OF A SWORDIE,
If at all possible, I want to live as good a life as I can.
ENROL IN A SWORDSMANSHIP ACADEMY.
That's why I chose to live a life surrounded by Swordies.
THAT CAKE WAS THE LAST ONE...
NEXT ISSUE, COLOR FRONT PAGE AND OFFICIAL SERIALIZATION BEGINS!
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RIGHT FROM THE BEGINNING, WHAT EXACTLY IS GOING ON?! POPULAR SWORD ACTION COMICALIZATION: START!
My name is Kurou. I'm in my first year of high school.
I'm currently on the receiving end of a passionate advance from a beautiful, aroused girl.
Staking my life on it—
剣神の継承者

新連載!!
大胆かつ華麗なる剣技が乱れ咲く
大スケールソードアクション、開斬!!
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The blade-loving species
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神楽武志
原作†鏡遊
キャラクター原案†みけおう

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最新5巻大好評発売中!!

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ますます盛り上がりを見せるバトルに加え、今月号からコミカライズ連載もスタート！
この勢いは誰にも止められない!! 刮目必至の大スケールストーリー、ぜひお楽しみください！

STORY

東京ソーディア、そこは剣に生き、剣に恋する種族（ソーディ）に支配された街。
ただの人間ながら剣技に長けた少年、クロウは、
激闘の末、斬り逃してしまったブレイズの死剣使いスイサーラ抹殺を、シルフィに命じられる。
先の戦闘により満身創痍の彼は、ブレイズの居留地に赴くが、
そこでダイナスト社に襲撃されてしまう。
その危機的状況に駆けつけてきたのは、かつての上官マナカで……？

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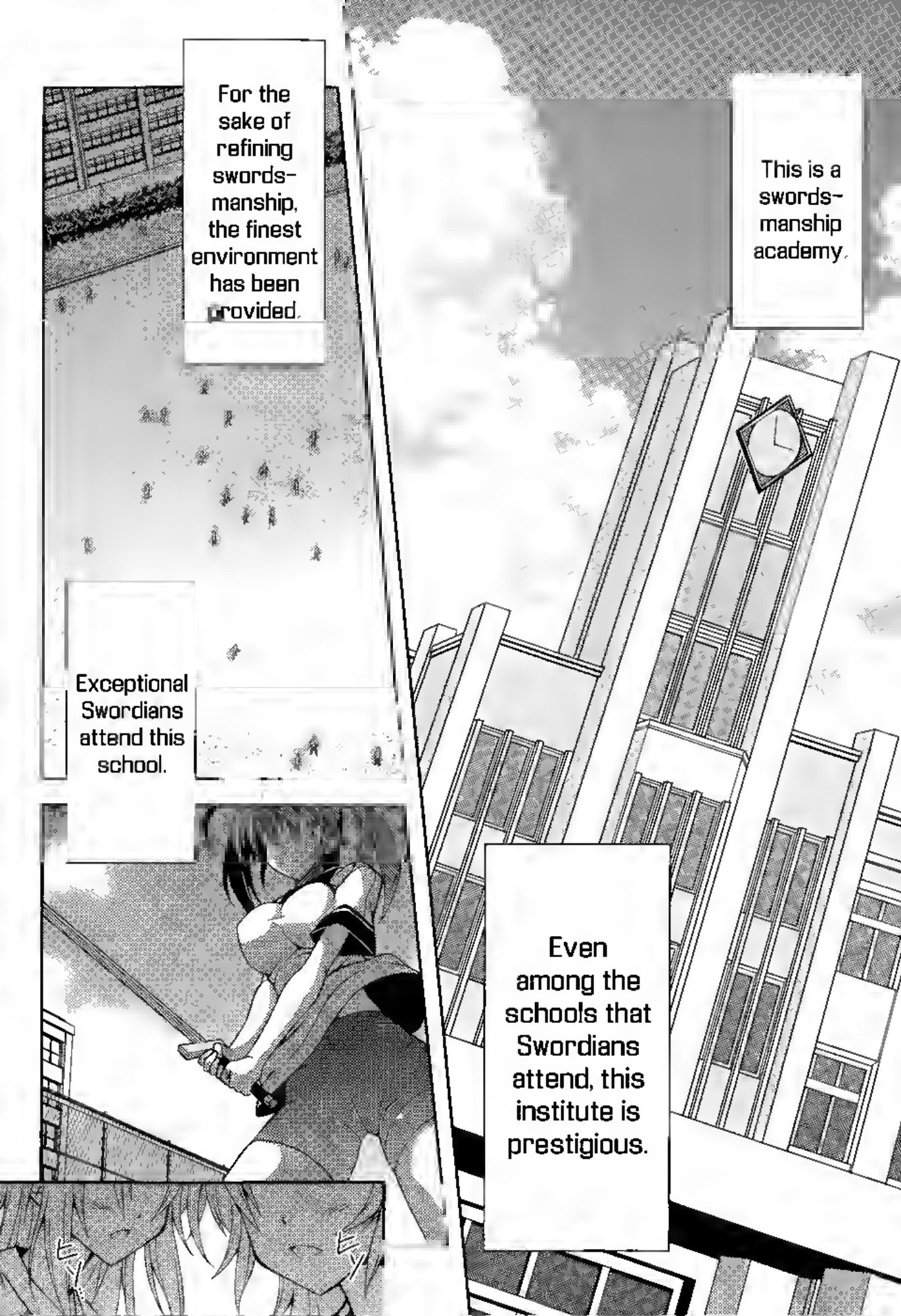
『剣神の継承者』1～4巻も絶賛発売中!

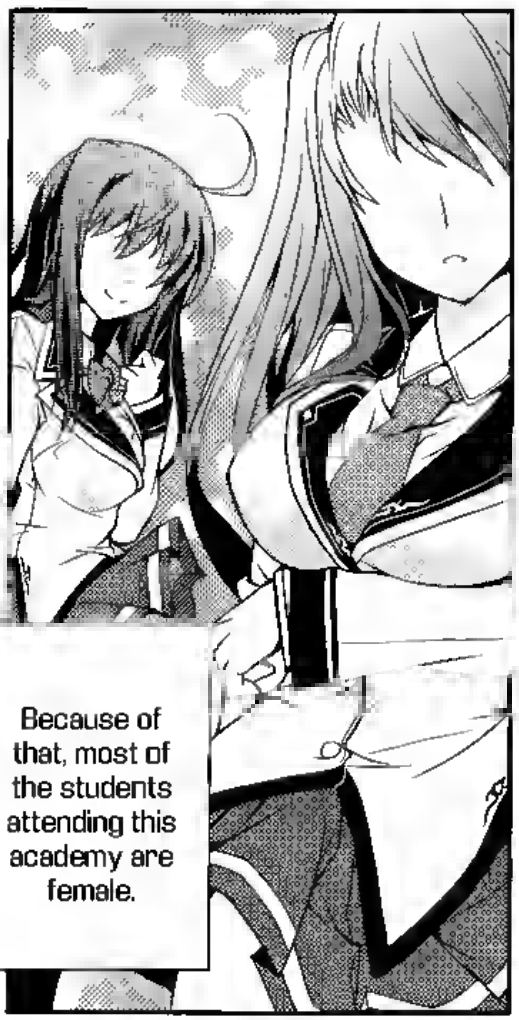
著：鏡遊　イラスト：みけおう

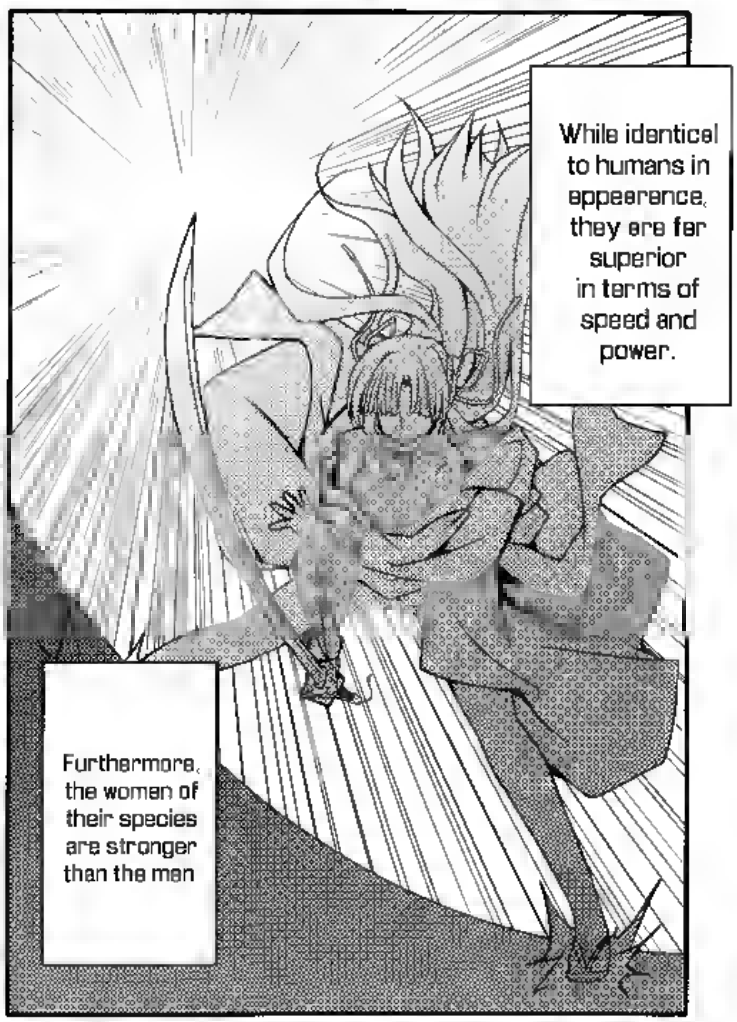
21st century Japan
THERE ARE ORDINARY HUMANS, AND--
THERE ARE TWO SPECIES LIVING IN THIS WORLD.
the race of swords: Swordians.


This is a swords-manship academy.
Even among the schools that Swordians attend, this institute is prestigious.
For the sake of refining swords-manship, the finest environment has been provided.
Exceptional Swordians attend this school.

HEY... WHY IS THERE A GUY ON CAMPUS?
IT'S THAT TRANSFER STUDENT FROM YESTERDAY, YOU KNOW?
A HUMAN... AND A GUY AT THAT.
... WELL,
I KNEW IT'D FEEL LIKE I WAS ON THE AWAY TEAM, BUT STILL...

During the last world war 70 years ago, the Swordian suddenly appeared in the sky.
They were people from another universe called Swordia.
Before we knew it the world war had become Humen VS Swordian As the victors Swordians now rule Japan


Because of that, most of the students attending this academy are female.


While identical to humans in appearance, they are far superior in terms of speed and power.
Furthermore, the women of their species are stronger than the men

I DO HAVE A REASON FOR BEING IN A PLACE LIKE THIS, BUT EVEN SO...
HAS EVERYONE PAIRED UP FOR THE PRACTICE SESSION?
IT SURE IS TROUBLING,
NOT HAVING AN OPPONENT FOR THE PRACTICE SESSION...
YOU...
YOU SAID YOUR NAME WAS KUROU, RIGHT?

IF YOU'RE FINE WITH ME,
I'LL BE YOUR OPPONENT.

LARGE CHEST, QUITE A NICE BULGE...
ALRIGHT! YOU'RE GOOD!
WHAT RE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
A FRAGILE-LOOKING, SLENDER WAIST...
YOU'LL BE MY OPPONENT? IN THAT CASE...
WAIT ...!
PLEASE WAIT A MOMENT, SEFI-SAMA!!
SPATS-CLAD THIGHS ...

THAT PERSON IS A HUMAN MALE, YOU KNOW!?

FOR SEFI-SAMA TO HAVE THAT KIND OF OPPONENT...
THAT'S RIGHT. IT'S NOT ALLOWED, FOR SEFI-SAMA'S SAKE.

AS IF I'D CARE ABOUT SOMETHING LIKE THAT!
HOW RUDE, SIMPLY LABELING ME "THAT KIND"! I'M EVEN THINKING OF BECOMING AN INDULGENT PAPA!

FOR THE PRINCESS OF ONE OF THE FOUR GREAT GENERALS TO BE WITH THE LIKES OF A HUMAN...
B... BUT SEFI-SAMA ...
STEP BACK, BOTH OF YOU.

I WON'T FORGIVE ANYONE WHO INTER-FERES, EVEN IF IT'S YOU.
KUH!
ENOUGH, NEENA!
SEFI-SAMA AND A HUMAN ...?
THAT HUMAN WILL DIE.
ダッ
THE HONOR WOULD BE MINE.
EN GARDE!
I MAY BE LACKING,
BUT WILL YOU DO ME THE HONOR OF ACCEPTING MY CHAL-LENGE?

THAT HUMAN ...
DODGED SEFI-SAMA'S SWORD...!?
.....

TSK...
WHAT'S HAPPENING?
COULD SEFI-SAMA BE GOING EASY ON HIM?
YOU REALLY THINK SHE WOULD DO THAT?
IS HE REALLY HUMAN?
HE'S NOT BAD AT ALL.

HEY,
WHY AREN'T YOU ENGAGING ME?
IT'S NOT THAT I'M GOING EASY ON YOU.
MY WAY OF DOING THIS IS JUST...
...I GUESS THERE'S NO REASON TO EXPLAIN MYSELF.
!!

I GUESS THAT'S IT THEN.
I'LL BE YOUR OPPONENT ANY TIME.
THANK YOU.
NO WAY... HOW COULD SEFI-SAMA ...
IT'S JUST A COINCIDENCE THAT THE WOODEN SWORD BROKE, RIGHT...?
.....
SEFI-SAMA!

...IT JUST DOESN'T FEEL RIGHT.
EVERYONE SHOULD ALREADY UNDER-STAND
THAT IT WASN'T A COIN-CIDENCE...
IT'S JUST A COINCIDENCE THAT THE WOODEN SWORD BROKE, RIGHT...?

YO.
EXCUSE THE
INTRUSION.
...HUH?
EH?
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STOP STARING AND TURN AROUND, ROU!
RO.. ROU,
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
I TRIED SNEAKING INTO THE GIRLS DORM.
DON'T SAY THAT SO PROUDLY, YOU PERVERT!
HUH? YOU'RE WEARING THAT?
MY UNIFORM IS ALL I HAVE HERE! I CAN'T JUST WALK AROUND NAKED!
SIGH... AND I SEE YOU'RE THE SAME AS EVER.

I'M SURE THE LAST TIME WE MET WAS...
HOW MANY YEARS HAS IT BEEN...?
1 YEAR, 311 DAYS AGO.
YOUR MEMORY IS TOO PRECISE! THAT'S JUST TOO CREEPY!!
WHAT EXACTLY WERE YOU DOING FOR THOSE TWO YEARS?
She is the princess of one of the highest ranking Swordians, the Four Generals.

We're actually childhood friends.
I...
I ENTERED THIS INSTITUTE
BECAUSE I WANT TO GRADUATE AND ATTAIN THE MARK OF THE SWORDIAN SOCIAL STANDING: "SHORT SWORD".
ANYWAY, WHY DID YOU ENTER THIS SCHOOL?
YOU WEREN'T FIGHTING SERIOUSLY TODAY, RIGHT?
...YOU'RE AS STEADY AS EVER.
SOMEONE OF YOUR SKILL SHOULD AIM HIGHER.
AFTER THAT,
I'LL GET WHATEVER JOB I CAN, CREATE A FAMILY, AND SOME DAY HAVE A HOUSE OF MY OWN.
IT'S NOT THAT I WAS HOLDING BACK... TODAY'S LESSON.
...SORRY ABOUT THAT, SEFI.

IT HAD BEEN A WHILE SINCE OUR LAST MATCH,
SO I DIDN'T WANT IT TO END SO SOON.
...NO. MY WORDING WAS A LITTLE OFF...
...IDIOT.
I ALREADY KNEW THAT I WASN'T A MATCH FOR YOU.
I'VE FOUGHT WITH YOU MANY TIMES IN THE PAST.
I KNOW THAT TWO YEARS ISN'T ENOUGH FOR ME TO CATCH UP.
...SEFI?
WHAT?

WHY DID YOU SUDDENLY DRAW YOUR SWORD?
THAT'S BECAUSE... TODAY, RO... ROU SHOWED UNBELIE-VABLE SWORDS-MA...
AAH HHH ...!

I WILL WORRY!
IT DOESN'T MATTER, DOES IT!? DON'T WORRY IF YOU GET CUT!
I see... This is the unique Swordian trait.
This is the first time I've seen it, but...
WOAH!
SEFI WENT INTO HEAT!

THIS PLACE IS NO GOOD ...!
LET'S CHANGE LOCA-TIONS.
Swordian women all fall in love with swordsmen strong than them
Afterwards, they get the urge to attack the swordsman they have fallen for... Truly a troublesome species.

WOAH!!
"THE SPECIES THAT LOVES BLADES"... SO YOU FELL IN LOVE WITH MY SWORDS-MANSHIP...!
WHAT'S WITH THAT PATHETIC EXCUSE...!?
IT'S... IT'S JUST THAT I SUDDENLY WANTED TO CUT ROU UP!
THAT'S NOT TRUE!
...?!
IF THAT'S THE CASE, THEN ...!
AT THIS RATE, MY CONCENTRATION WILL RUN OUT FIRST...!
I CAN'T KEEP DODGING THAT HUGE SWORD FOREVER.

KYAA ...?!
WITH THIS... SHE'LL BE DISTRACTED AND HOPEFULLY CALM DOWN A LITTLE...

...THAT'S AMA-ZING, ROU...
WITHOUT EVEN SCRATCHING THE SKIN, YOU CUT ONLY MY CLOTHES ...
EH?
AMA-ZING ...
WHAT?!
AMAZING AMAZING AMAZING AMAZING AMAZING AMAZIN-NNNNNG!!

ROU... MORE! COME AT ME MORE! SATISFY ME MORE!!
DON'T BE SO UNREAS-ONABLE!!
AND WHO'S THE ONE TRYING TO KILL ME...?
AHH, DAMN IT!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING, ROU!? IF YOU DON'T FIGHT BACK, YOU'LL DIE!
YOU CAN'T DIE, ALL RIGHT!?

MMM...?!
NNNN?!
MNNN
...
FUU...

AAAAAAAA...
Y-
Y-
YOU IDIOT!
WELL, THE FACT THAT SHE RAN AWAY DOESN'T NECESSARILY MEAN SHE LIKES ME, RIGHT?

YAWN ...
LAST NIGHT WAS... TRULY A DISASTER, SEFI...
I HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU.
EH?

...FROM TODAY ON, I WILL BE SERVING YOU.
MY NAME IS SAKURAI HINAKO.

A CAMPUS LIFE SURROUNDED BY WOMEN. THE SUFFERING OF KUROU CONTINUES?!
HUH?
A vague recollection manifested
pertaining to the girl who suddenly appeared.
SOMEHOW, MY BODY CAN SENSE IT...
HAS ALREADY BEGUN TO APPEAR.
AT THIS TIME, A MYSTERIOUS SOURCE OF TROUBLE...
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FROM TODAY ON, I WILL BE SERVING YOU.
I'LL HOLD YOUR BAG FOR YOU.
AH... THANKS.
...WAIT A MINUTE!! JUST WHO ARE YOU?

ARE YOU PERHAPS ...
AND WHY ARE YOU SUDDENLY MY PERSONAL BELLBOY ?!
YOU'RE THE GIRL FROM THAT NIGHT ...!
YES, THAT'S RIGHT...

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Kensei's Seal

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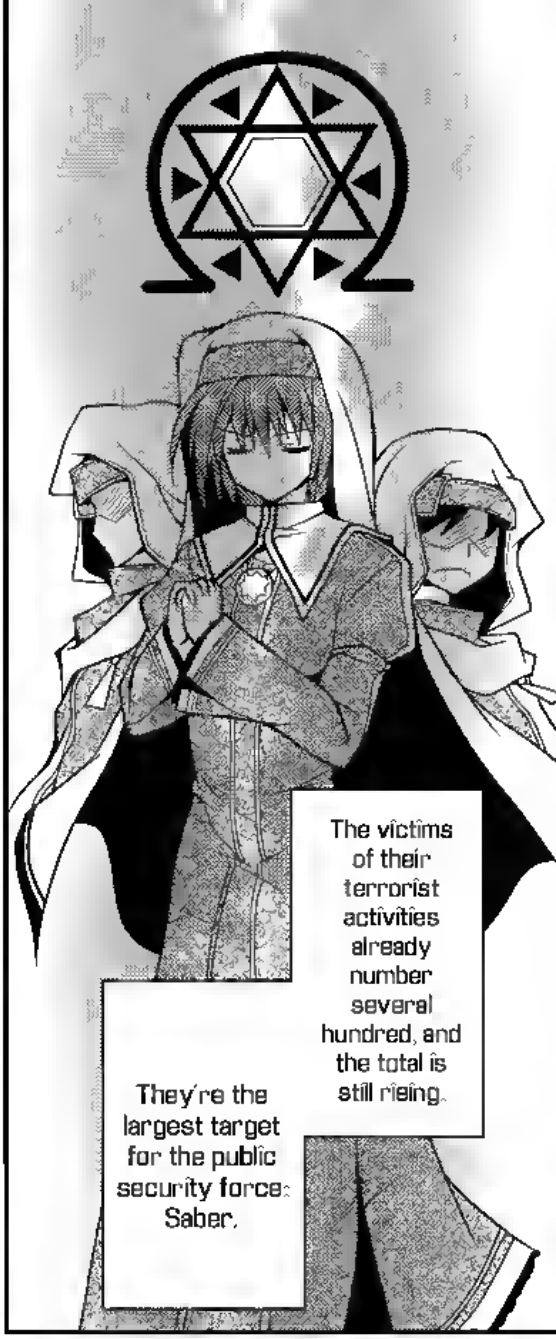
Tokyo
Swordia
Exterior
Human
District
ON THAT NIGHT THREE DAYS AGO... I WAS DOING MY JOB AND PURSUING SUN CULTISTS.
IT SEEMS LIKE I CAUGHT UP ALREADY.
... DOES YOUR WOUND HURT?
IT... IT'S FINE ...

STOP RESISTING ARREST. IF YOU DON'T...
THIS WILL BECOME THE FINAL RESTING PLACE FOR ALL OF YOU SUN CULTISTS.
TSK!
WHAT'S THIS? IT STILL HASN'T STARTED YET?

IT'S YOUR JOB, SO HURRY UP AND GET OVER HERE, LARS.
YEAH, YEAH. KUROU SURE IS EARNEST.
I EVEN TOOK MY TIME COMING HERE.
YOU BAS-TARDS... ARE YOU SABERS?
AS YOU CAN SEE.
Sabers are
the public security force of Tokyo Swordia.

A SMALL ORGANIZATION COMPLETELY SEPARATE FROM THE POLICE. THEY NUMBER LESS THAN 1000, EVEN INCLUDING NON-COMBATANTS, AND YET...
IT IS A UNIT WHEREIN ALL MEMBERS, EXCLUDING MYSELF, ARE SWORDIANS.
This is my main occupation.
EVEN IF YOU ARE SABERS, THERE ARE ONLY TWO OF YOU!
WITH THE FIVE OF US HERE, EVEN WE STAND A CHANCE!
In recent years, the Sun Cultists have been carrying out atrocious terrorist activities...
AS IF WE'D LET INHUMAN SWORDIANS DO AS THEY PLEASE WITH THIS COUNTRY!!

AH...
IF YOU LEAVE THAT INJURED PERSON ALONE, ISN'T SHE GOING TO DIE?
I'M FINE WITH TAKING YOU ALL ON, BUT...


The victims of their terrorist activities already number several hundred, and the total is still rising.
They're the largest target for the public security force: Saber.

AH, OKAY. YOU CAN ALL GO NOW.

YOU CAN ALSO LEAVE THE PACKAGE IN THE STATION WAGON TO ME.
ALL I HAVE TO DO IS TAKE CARE OF THESE IDIOTS, RIGHT?

THERE ARE INSPECTIONS BEING CONDUCTED ALL OVER THE PLACE, SO IF YOU TRY TO ESCAPE BY CAR, YOU'LL BE CAUGHT IN NO TIME.
THE PACKAGE ...?
GOT IT! WE'RE COUNTING ON YOU.
I'M NOT GOING TO LET YOU GO.

ARE YOU A SWORDIAN?
I MIGHT ACTUALLY ENJOY THIS...
THAT'S ENOUGH!
STOP RIGHT THERE, WOMAN!
OR TO BE PRECISE, CRIMINAL NUMBER FZ405333!!

THAT WOMAN KILLED TWO OF OUR TEAM MEMBERS.
YOU NEW-COMERS CAN GET OUT OF THE WAY.
... BRING IT ON.
I DON'T CARE HOW MANY PEOPLE YOU BRING.

UGH
...!
!!

DO NOT FALTER
WHAT ARE YOU DOING!?
YOU WERE TOO QUICK.

I FIGURED AS MUCH; IT JUST ISN'T ANY FUN KILLING MEN.
.....
$10000000
...THAT WOMAN HAS A BOUNTY OF 1,000,000 ON HER HEAD.
MOREOVER, SHE JUST KILLED 6 GROUP MEMBERS, SO HER BOUNTY WILL PROBABLY HAVE RISEN EVEN MORE.
LARS! YOU SHOULD HAVE SAID SO EARLIER!
THE BOUNTY IS ONLY 300,000 DEAD, SO IF YOU WANT THE FULL MILLION WE'LL NEED TO CAPTURE HER ALIVE.

ALRIGHT.
AS YOU JUST HEARD, I'LL BE YOUR OPPONENT FROM HERE ON.
...A KATANA?
YOU'RE PART OF THE SABERS, YET YOU'RE USING SOMETHING LIKE THAT ...
IT CAN'T BE... ARE YOU A HUMAN?
ONLY HUMANS USE KATANA, SO THAT MUST BE IT.
SO, THE SABERS ARE SO DESPERATE THAT THEY'D EVEN INCLUDE A HUMAN MEMBER!
YOU'RE COOPERATING WITH HUMANS YOURSELF.
OF COURSE. AFTER ALL, IF I HAD STAYED ON THE SWORDIANS' SIDE, I'D HAVE ONLY BEEN ABLE TO CROSS SWORDS WITH DULL HUMANS.

I'M NOT REALLY CONCERNED ABOUT MONEY, YOU SEE
I'M FINE RIGHT HERE. THANK YOU.
I WANT TO FIGHT STRONG SWORDIANS.
BOY. YOU'RE A SWORDIAN, AREN'T YOU? IF YOU DON'T COME AT ME, THIS HUMAN WILL DIE, GOT IT?!
.....
WELL, YOU'RE BOTH GOING TO DIE EITHER WAY.
I HOPE THAT--
YOU TWO CAN ENTERTAIN ME A LITTLE BEFORE YOU DIE!!

!?
?!
EH...?! HOW COULD A HUMAN ...
DON'T HAVE ANY DOUBTS--
IN THE MIDDLE OF COMBAT!!

YOU FOOL ...!
YOU MAY BE FAST FOR A HUMAN, BUT...
AGAINST A SWORDIAN, YOU'RE STILL TOO SLOW...!

HUH...?
WHAT ...?
MY ARM ...?!
GAH ...!
OH?
AWW ...
THIS COAT WAS PRETTY EXPENSIVE ...
YOU BASTARD! THAT BRACELET IS...

KENSEI'S SEAL!
ARE YOU... THE DISCIPLE THAT SWORD MASTER HYOUKA TOOK IN?!

YOU ALREADY KNOW THE ANSWER TO THAT, DON'T YOU?
...STILL, THIS THING IS ONLY A DECOR-ATION RIGHT NOW.
KUROU. IT ISN'T OVER YET.
THIS THING STILL REMAINS.
OH YEAH. WHAT KIND OF PACKAGE IS IN THERE, I WONDER?
PERHAPS SOME GREAT TREASURE IS PILED UP IN THERE.

CAN'T YOU JUST OPEN IT NORMALLY ...?!
!?
IS THERE SOMEONE THERE...?!
WHAT?!

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THIRD KILL:
MAIDEN OF THE SUN

A GIRL CAME OUT OF THE STATION WAGON...
IS THIS... WHAT THEY MEANT BY A PACKAGE?!

..HAND-CUFFS?
AH...

AH ...
HEY!
sfx: stagger
WHAT IS THIS ...?
THIS GIRL...

THE NEXT DAY
TOKYO SWORDIA CENTER, SPECIAL CENTRAL DISTRICT
SABER HEAD-QUAR-TERS
局長室
sfx: *knock*
AH,
KUROU'S ARRIVED.

THIS WOMAN'S NAME IS MANAKA.
COME OVER HERE.
WHAT'S THE MATTER, CHIEF?
AMAZING KI, AS USUAL.
AS WELL AS BEING THE CHIEF OF SABER, SHE IS ONE OF THE STRONGEST SWORDIANS, THE "SEVEN SWORDS"...
SHE IS THE "SWORD GENERAL".

YOU DON'T HAVE TO SPEAK SO FORMALLY. IT'S IRRITATING.
TO ME, YOU'RE JUST MY SISTER'S DISCIPLE.
Even if you say that...
MANAKA IS MY SUPERIOR, AS WELL AS... MY GUARDIAN.
IN PLACE OF MY MASTER, KENSEI HYOUKA, WHO WENT MISSING A YEAR AGO...
SHE TOOK OVER AS MY GUARDIAN, AND AS MY MASTER.
...LEAVING THAT ASIDE, LET'S GET DOWN TO BUSINESS.

...AT LEAST READ THE REPORT.
THERE'S NO WAY I COULD HAVE READ A REPORT ONLY RELEASED LAST NIGHT.
AHH, IS THIS ABOUT THE GIRL FROM YESTER-DAY?
YESTER-DAY?
THIS ISN'T ABOUT WORK.
IT'S ABOUT THE SHORT SWORD.
SHORT SWORD...!? YOU'RE SAYING I CAN GET IT?!

AM I STILL LACKING?
KUROU IS A MEMBER OF SABER... BUT ABOVE ALL,
YOU POSSESS THE OUTRAGEOUS MARK KNOWN AS KENSEI'S SEAL.
AS SUCH, I THINK YOU'RE MORE THAN QUALIFIED TO ATTAIN THE SWORDIAN SOCIAL STANDING, THE "SHORT SWORD".
KUROU-KUN, YOU KNOW...
YOU HAVEN'T EVEN RECEIVED ANY FORM OF MANDATORY EDUCATION, RIGHT?

ENROL IN A SWORDIAN SCHOOL RIGHT THIS MOMENT
AND GRASP HOLD OF THE GRADUATION QUALIFICATIONS!
THAT'S BECAUSE I WAS CONFINED TO TRAINING IN THE MOUNTAINS...
EVEN GETTING HUMAN CITIZENSHIP UNDER THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES IS VERY HARD.
...THEN WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO DO?
Silence...

sfx: Grin
SO IN ORDER TO ATTAIN THAT SOCIAL STATUS, I NEED TO LEARN THE SWORDIAN WAY OF LIFE.
HUH?!

THAT'S ALL THERE IS TO IT! GOOD LUCK~
...
AND AS SOON AS I GET TO THE ACADEMY, THIS HAP-PENS.
...SO, WHAT IS THIS?
WHY ARE YOU HERE?

SERVE ME...? WHO EXACTLY TOLD YOU TO DO THAT?!

I CAME BECAUSE I WAS TOLD TO SERVE YOU.

IT WAS MANAKA.

THAT'S THE BIGGEST PROB-LEM!!
THAT ISN'T A PROBLEM RIGHT NOW.

I read the report.
SO IT'S ALL HER DOING!!
THIS IS AN ORDER.
AT LEAST, ACCORDING TO THE CHIEF.
LARS.
NO, NO, ISN'T IT STRANGE TO JUST SUDDENLY START SERVING SOMEONE?
ISN'T IT ALRIGHT TO JUST LET HER SERVE YOU?
WELL THEN, I'LL LEAVE THE REST TO YOU.
EXPLAIN WHAT'S GOING ON.

DAUGHTER ...?!
THAT GIRL IS
THE DAUGHTER OF THE HEAD OF THE SUN CULT.
EVEN THOUGH SHE ACTS LIKE THAT?
SHE HAS HER OWN CIRCUM-STANCES
ぽ～

...EVEN SABERS ARE HAVING A TOUGH TIME HANDLING HER.
SHE'S THE HEAD'S DAUGHTER, BUT IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE SHE WAS REVERED AS SHE WAS BROUGHT UP.
AND SHE'S NOT EXACTLY A CRIMINAL, SO WE CAN'T JUST ARREST HER.

OF COURSE, WE CAN'T JUST LET HER GO EITHER, SO... THAT'S THE STORY.
AS SUCH, IT WAS ALL FORCED ONTO KUROU.
THAT'S JUMPING TO THE POINT TOO FAST!

THE SUPERIORS ARE PROBABLY TRYING TO CONFINE HER IN THIS ACADEMY.
EVEN IF SOMETHING HAPPENS TO HER, KUROU'S HERE, SO WON'T YOU DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT?
SO I'M MEANT TO BE A BODYGUARD AND A GUARDIAN, HUH...?

PRETTY MUCH,
BUT IN EXCHANGE ...
AND...
YOU'RE TELLING US TO LIVE IN THIS COMFORTABLE-LOOKING HOUSE?
WE'VE PAID FOR THE RENT AND ELECTRICITY, YOU KNOW.
BESIDES, AS I SAID BEFORE, THIS DOES SEEM TO BE AN ORDER.
WELL THEN, I HOPE YOU TWO DO YOUR BEST.
YOU BASTARD! YOU'RE JUST PUSHING EVERYTHING ONTO ME...!

Peek...
AND WHY ME ANY-WAY...?
THEY EVEN PREPARED A HOUSE ON SCHOOL GROUNDS...
KUROU?
NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, I HAVEN'T INTRODUCED MYSELF YET.
I'M KUROU. NICE TO MEET YOU.

WELL THEN, WE MIGHT AS WELL CLEAN THE PLACE.
SOME-THING'S OFF, BUT...
WHAT-EVER.
AHH, SO THIS IS TATAMI.
IT'S THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN IT.
EH?
SO THIS IS A VACUUM CLEANER, HUH?
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE TOUCHED ONE.

...DID YOU PLUG IT INTO THE CIRCUIT AND TURN ON THE SWITCH?
...IS THIS BROKEN?
IT'S NOT GOING PSSSHH.

IF I HAVE TO SEE THIS EVERY DAY, IT'LL BE POISON FOR MY EYES...

sfx: "lift"
カレン
LET'S DO THIS AREA TOO.
OI, WAIT A MOMENT! THERE'S NO NEED TO CLEAN THERE!
HUH?!

UGH...

I'M FINE HERE, SO GO CLEAN THE BATHTUB.
FINE.
WAIT! LEAVE THE VACUUM CLEANER HERE!
WELL, WELL...
AAAH...!
WHAT'S WRONG?!

WHEN I TURNED THE TAP, THE SHOWER STARTED SPRAYING EVERYWHERE.
AND WHEN I TRIED TO CATCH IT, I JUST HAPPENED TO FALL INTO THE BATHTUB.
.....

...IT SEEMS THAT THE ONLY THING PROPER ABOUT YOU IS YOUR CLOTHING.
AS THINGS STAND, YOU'RE JUST A FREELOADER WITH LARGE BREASTS.
I GUESS SO.
DON'T AGREE SO EASILY...
JUST TO MAKE SURE, DO YOU KNOW HOW TO COOK?
I DO KNOW HOW TO EAT FOOD, BUT I DON'T KNOW HOW TO COOK FOOD.
...I FIGURED AS MUCH.

EVEN IF YOU'RE THE PRINCESS OF THE SUN CULT, JUST HOW BOXED IN WERE YOU...?
I WASN'T IN A BOX.
IT'S JUST A SAYING!
HOW EXACTLY WERE YOU BROUGHT UP!?
NO MATTER WHAT YOU SAY...
I ONLY RECENTLY WENT OUTSIDE FOR THE FIRST TIME.
FOR THE FIRST TIME ...?
SINCE THE MOMENT I BECAME SELF-AWARE, I NEVER LEFT MY ROOM.

THAT MEANS...
...YOU WERE PRETTY MUCH CONFINED?
WHY?
BECAUSE THE DOOR WAS LOCKED.
THEN HOW COME YOU'RE HERE RIGHT NOW?
I WANTED TO SEE THE OUTSIDE WORLD WITH MY OWN EYES,
NOT THROUGH BOOKS OR OTHER PEOPLE.
THOSE WHO KNEW OF MY FEELINGS ALLOWED ME TO ESCAPE FROM THAT ROOM.
THE GUYS YOU WERE WITH EVEN DISOBEYED THE HEAD...?

I DON'T KNOW,
BUT THEY ALL HELPED ME TO ESCAPE.
...THOUGH I WONDER IF I'LL GET A CHANCE TO THANK THEM...

HINAKO WAS FOUND IN A SUN CULT WAGON.
.....
THAT PROBABLY MEANS THEY WERE CAPTURED IN THE MIDDLE OF THEIR ESCAPE.

AND I'M SURE SHE'S AWARE OF THAT...

THOSE WHO ESCAPED WERE PROBABLY CAPTURED OR WORSE...

SAY,
DO YOU KNOW THE REASON WHY YOU WERE LOCKED UP?
I DON'T KNOW,
BUT ONE OF THE PEOPLE WHO ACCOMPANIED ME SAID:
YOU ARE THE HOPE OF MAN-KIND,
THE "MAIDEN OF THE SUN".

EH?
THE MAIDEN... OF THE SUN?
WHO... WHO IS IT?
--ROU?!
SEF!!
EXCUSE ME.
THIS HOUSE IS MEANT TO BE UNOC-CUPIED.

KUROU?
I HEARD FROM ANOTHER STUDENT THAT THERE WERE VOICES COMING FROM THE EMPTY HOUSE.
TO THINK IT WAS ROU... DON'T SURPRISE ME LIKE THAT.
WH... WHY ARE YOU HERE!?
WHAT ABOUT YOU!?
IS SHE YOUR FRIEND?
SHE'S VERY CUTE.

CALM DOWN.
YOU DON'T WANT A REPEAT OF YESTERDAY, DO YOU?
WHAT'S GOING ON!? WHO'S THAT MAID?!
YESTER-DAY...?
WHY ARE YOU TWO TOGETHER IN A PLACE LIKE THIS!?

Y...
YOU IDIOT!
Blush
あああ...
...SHE RAN OFF IN THE SAME MANNER AS LAST TIME...
TH... THAT'S...
KY-
WHO WAS THAT?

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このおはなしは…

剣に生き、剣に恋する種族<ソーディ>とふつうの人間が共生する世界。
ただの人間ながら卓越した剣技を持つ少年・クロウは、幼なじみのソーディ・セフィや人間の少女・桜井日奈子との出逢いにより、波乱に満ちた日常に巻き込まれていく。
2つの種族の少年少女が贈る、大スケールソードアクションストーリー!

前回のハイライト――太陽の乙女

ただの人間ながら、<ソーディ>が通う<剣の学院>に転入してきた少年・クロウ。
治安維持部隊・セイバーズの一員でもある彼は、太陽教との闘いの末、桜井日奈子という少女と出会う。彼女は、太陽教教祖の娘だという。
セイバーズ局長・マナカの命令により、彼女の護衛・監視のため同じ家に住むことになったクロウ。
さっそく家の掃除をしている最中、彼女の口から思いがけない事実が告げられる。
それは、彼女が生まれてからずっと監禁されていたという事実で――。
そのとき、セフィがクロウたちの家を訪問。日奈子と一緒にいるクロウを見て激怒するも、先日のクロウとのキスを思い出し、一目散に退散する。慌ただしいセフィの行動に呆れるクロウだったが、直後、外からセフィの悲鳴が聞こえてきて――!?

Characters

クロウ

卓越した剣技を持つ人間の少年。
ある目的から<剣の学院>に転入する。

セフィ

クロウの幼馴染であるソーディの少女。
ソーディの最高権力者・四将の娘。

桜井日奈子

突然クロウの前に現れた人間の少女。
実は太陽教教祖の娘。

Glossary

●ソーディ

70年前の世界大戦の折、突然空から現れた異世界の一族。人間と段違いの力やスピードを持ち、男性よりも女性のほうが優れている。世界大戦で人間に勝利した後は日本を統治している。恋した相手と斬りあいをしたくなるという困った習性も。

●セイバーズ

東京ソーディアの治安維持部隊。
警察とはまた別の組織で、クロウを除いて全員がソーディで構成されている。

●太陽教

その名のとおり太陽を崇める宗教団体。
ここ数年で凶悪なテロ活動を行うようになり、セイバーズ最大の標的となっている。

「剣神の継承者」特装版
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KENSHIN NO KEISHOUSHA (SUCCEED)

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サクシード

神楽武志 原作＊鎖遊 キャラクター原案＊みけおう

CUT 4
ASSAILANT OF FLAMES

KYAAAA!
THAT VOICE JUST NOW...
SEFI!?

RO
...
ROU...
SEFI!!
WHAT HAP-PENED, SEFI!? ARE YOU HURT!?
I'M FINE...
THAT GUY SUDDENLY ATTACKED ME.
"THAT GUY"...?

WHO THE HELL DO YOU THINK YOU ARE,
MESSING WITH A GUY'S WOMAN!?
HOLD IT! JUST WHO IS YOUR WOMAN, ROU?!

IT'S FINE! I'LL BE SURE TO MAKE YOU HAPPY!!
THAT'S NOT THE PROB-LEM!!

Y-YOU...
ST... STEALING SOMEONE'S F-FIRST KISS, AS THOUGH YOU'RE HOT STUFF...
THAT WAS YOUR FIRST KISS!? YAHOO!!
DON'T BE SO HAPPY ABOUT IT!
...YOU TWO DON'T FEEL THE LEAST BIT TENSE.
WHOA!!
WELL, I'M JUST GLAD MY WOMAN IS UNHURT...

WITHOUT WARNING HUH?
DAMN.

……！

SUCH SPEED ...!
IS HE OKAY?
OH, A SCRA-TCH?
AND I WAS GOING AT IT PRETTY HARD TOO.
...?!
BUT I'VE HAD TO DEAL WITH THE TOUGHEST MONSTER IN THE WORLD EVERY DAY.
YOU'RE A SWORDIAN TOO, RIGHT? YOU'RE PRETTY TOUGH.

IF YOU DON'T RESIST ANY FURTHER, I WON'T TAKE YOUR LIFE.
BESIDES, I WANT TO ASK WHY YOU ATTACKED SEFI.

WHAT ...!?
ROU!!
FLAME
DANCE!!

ROU
...!

"MYSTIC ARTS" ...!?
IT CAN'T BE... THESE ARE...
AN ABILITY, MUCH LIKE MAGIC, SAID TO BE USED BY THE SWORD-IANS OF OLD...
BUT THAT ABILITY WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE DISAPPEARED LONG AGO.
SO THIS ONE... ISN'T YOUR TYPICAL SWORDIAN?!
DAMN ...!
P...
.....

PLEASE, STOP IT!!
!!

SEFI-
SAMA!!
HER MOVEMENTS... STOPPED?!

SHE... RAN OFF...?
WE PANICKED WHEN WE HEARD SEFI-SAMA SCREAM...
SEFI-SAMA, ARE YOU HURT?!
THANKS... BUT IT'S NOTHING.
WHAT IN THE WORLD... JUST HAPPENED...?
AS THE MYSTERY DEEPENS, THE CURTAIN RISES ON TROUBLE CLOSE AT HAND.
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Recording Site
収録現場
Kagami-sensei, Kagura-sensei, and everyone else too!!
pan-paka-paaan!
Let's go!
On this one September day,
please excuse us as we record the "Kenshin no Keishousha" Special Edition CD!!
This time, these two will perform with their voices!!
In the role of Sefi is Yoshino Nanjou-san.
In the role of Hinako Sakurai is Aya Uchida-san.
They are pretty and cute!!
They give off this "live meeting" aura, as well as an energetic feeling!!
Kenshin no Keishousha (Succeed)
剣神の継承者
特装版CD収録レポートマンガ
SPECIAL EDITION CD RECORDING MANGA REPORT
漫画†むく 原作†鏡遊 キャラクター原案†みけおう

OKAY.
Well then, I'll play the off-vocal.
Every-one will be record-ing indivi-dually
This time we're recording an image song and drama CD.
With the off-vocal Nanjou-san will get the right pitch.
The sample is like an 8-bit sound source!!
The singing is suddenly beyond belief!!
Finally, the song record-ing!!
So cool!! Music overflowing with a sense of speed, and Nanjou-sen's singing voice is thrilling!!

UM...
WHAT KIND OF FEELING SHOULD I GIVE THE CHARACTER IMAGE?
Hmm-
COULD YOU ADJUST THE REVERB?
SAY...
Reverb: reverberating sound effect
UNDER-STOOD.
I can see the serious-ness of Nanjou-san and the staff
Their exchange of ideas isn't just about the singing.
The people in the studio come to an agreement over the state of the character image sound.
MORE BASS...
AL-RIGHTY.
WOW!
...LET'S RECORD IT WITH THAT FEELING.
With that feedback, the song is recorded once again!!
All manner of ideas fly about!!
They sing and go over it, again and again...!!
OKAY!
I under-stand that feel-ing well
THAT'S SOME-HOW EMBAR-RASS-ING...
UN-YIELD-ING AND COOL...
Aww
By the way, when they pass along the image.

Inhale
Fuu...
And Sefi's already there!!
The world of "Succeed" woven together by cool lyrics and music!!
Please, listen closely to the image song with Nanjou-san singing her heart out!!
It's amazing!!
In my over-excitement, I jumped the gun
I'LL BUY IT!! HOW MUCH?!
IT DOESN'T COME OUT UNTIL WINTER ...
YOU'RE TOO CLOSE...
HOW ABOUT I SING IT ONE MORE TIME!?
Nanjou-san cheerfully recorded it and drank green tea with gusto
She was so cute

GOOD MORNING!!
LET'S CONTINUE WITH THE DRAMA RECORDING!!
First up is Aya Uchida-san's recording!!
She's looking really lively!!
WHA...?!
AS YOU WISH...
THEN LET'S GET THE RECORDING STARTED!!
YES SIR!
I'm bursting with anticipation!!
How will she perform the accompanying Hinako...?
It felt like emotions were flowing gently, slowly gathering together!!
Even though it's the first run through, she's already exuding Hinako!!

*Both of these bubbles are blank in the raws

KUROU ...
KUROU ...?
Uchida-san practiced how to call him
She was like a spoiled child So cute!!
And there was drama.
The meeting was also tense. .
ROU... KUROU ...
As for what happened during such meet-ings
Hearing it made me feel embarrassed ...!!
And Uchida-san became a perfectly vivacious Hinako!!
She begins playing seductively with adult words .
After the meeting, she was perfect Hinako!!
AL-RIGHTY !!
VERY NICE WORK!!
THE RECORDING IS OVER.
The lively Uchida-san shined brilliantly until the very end.
The recording's over.

It continues with Nanjou-san's recording!!
Sefi finished the recording quickly!!
Sefi's movement is so intense, and Nanjou-san is really moving as well!!
You're in the way
Hmmm
Either way, she's so cute!! She made such a cool impression, yet she's so fresh!!
The two of them are still resounding throughout my head!!
Anyway, my ears are so happy ..!!

I died
They uttered nothing but cuteness
Though that's the truth
I want to present good things to the people kind enough to listen!!
It was a scene where the feelings of everyone who worked on it were conveyed like a thunderbolt!!
Everyone, please enjoy it to the fullest!!
THE SPECIAL CD WILL BE ON SALE DECEMBER 21ST!
The Love-By-The-Sword story "Kenshin no Keishousha" world in song, all on a drama CD!!
We hope you like the original work and the comic adaptation!
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Chief Manaka

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IN THE GREAT WAR BETWEEN THE HUMANS AND SWORDIANS, THERE WERE TWO REASONS WHY THE HUMANS LOST.
ONE WAS THE SWORDIANS' OVERWHELMING SWORDSMANSHIP.
THE OTHER WAS... "MYSTIC ARTS".
USING THESE "MYSTIC ARTS" THEY COULD CONDUCT LONG-RANGE ATTACKS WITH FLAMES, WATER AND WIND. THIS GAVE THE HUMANS A HARD TIME DURING THE GREAT WAR.
THE SWORDIANS' CLOSE-UP ATTACKS, SUPPORTED BY THE LONG-RANGE MYSTIC ARTS, WERE THE DECIDING FACTOR IN THE GREAT WAR.
HOWEVER... IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE END OF THE GREAT WAR, THE PORTALS IN THE SKY FROM THE OTHER WORLD CLOSED...
AND FOR SOME REASON, THE SWORDIANS' ABILITY TO USE THE MYSTIC ARTS DISAPPEARED...

Hmm...
WELL, THERE ARE CERTAINLY SIGNS OF SCORCHED EARTH
IF THEY'RE MYSTIC ARTS, IT WOULD SEEM THAT "CLASSIC" ONES HAVE APPEARED ONCE AGAIN.
IS KUROU REALLY THAT POWERFUL?
WHAT CONCERNS ME MORE IS THAT, EVEN WITH A SWORD, KUROU WAS HARD-PRESSED.
...IS THAT REALLY SO UN-FATHOM-ABLE?
KUROU, A HUMAN, HAVING A HARD TIME AGAINST A SWORDIAN...

LONG AGO...
THERE WERE PEOPLE IN THIS LAND CALLED SAMURAI.
OF COURSE, THEIR PHYSICAL ABILITIES COULDN'T COMPARE TO THE SWORDIANS'...
BUT THEY CARRIED A PASSION FOR THE BLADE THAT WOULDN'T LOSE OUT TO ANY SWORDIAN.
SO KUROU IS POWERFUL BECAUSE HE HAS LEARNED THIS "OLD STYLE"...?
THOSE PROGENITORS DEVELOPED SWORD ARTS THAT STOOD AGAINST THE SWORDIANS'...
THOSE ARTS ARE COLLECTIVELY KNOWN AS "OLD STYLE".

WELL, THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT KUROU IS STRONG, BUT...
IF YOU ASKED ME EXACTLY HOW POWERFUL, IT WOULD BE HARD TO ANSWER.
THERE ARE TIMES WHEN HE'S BEATEN BETTER OPPONENTS BY LUCK OR HAPPEN-STANCE.
SO THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS ABSOLUTE STRENGTH, IS THERE?
...NO.
THERE IS.
EH?

ANY CLUES, KUROU?
FOR INSTANCE, WAS HER SWORDSMANSHIP FAMILIAR?
NO IDEA. THERE'S HARDLY ANY DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SWORDIAN STYLES.
WITH A SWORDIAN'S POWER OF RECOVERY, IT'LL HAVE LONG SINCE HEALED.
IT WAS JUST A SCRATCH.
CLUES TO THE CULPRIT ...
OH, RIGHT. DIDN'T YOU SAY YOU WOUNDED HER?

THAT BLONDE GIRL... THE ONE CARRYING THE WEIRD SWORD.
THE ONE CALLED SEFI-SAN... WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH HER?
THEN THERE'S NOTHING TO BE GAINED FROM INSPECTING THIS LOCATION FURTHER.
YEAH.
FOR NOW, LET'S HEAD TO SCHOOL.
SPEAKING OF WHICH...

THAT'S TRUE. SHE'S NOT SO WEAK AS TO MISS SCHOOL JUST BECAUSE SHE WAS HIT.
NOTHING REALLY... ISN'T SHE JUST ATTENDING SCHOOL LIKE NORMAL?
BUT WHAT WAS IT ALL ABOUT...? WAS THERE SOME REASON WHY SEFI-SAN WAS ATTACKED?
YOU SURE HAVE A LOT OF QUESTIONS.
I DON'T REALLY KNOW THE ANSWER TO THAT ONE.
LARS' ABILITY TO GATHER INFORMATION FAR EXCEEDS MY OWN.
IF LARS DOESN'T KNOW, THEN NEITHER THE POLICE NOR SABER'S INVESTIGATION WILL HAVE GOTTEN ANYWHERE EITHER.

KUROU, YOU'RE CONCERNED ABOUT SEFI, AREN'T YA?
OH, YOU'RE TARGETING HER TOO?
SEFI IS THE DAUGHTER OF ONE OF THE FOUR GENERALS, SO IT'S NOT UNFATHOMABLE THAT SHE WOULD BE TARGETED.
...BUT I WILL BE THE ONE TO KILL THE CRIMINAL.
I'M NOT AFTER HER.
RATHER, I'M AFTER OTHER PEOPLE.
HMM ...?
THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT THE STUDENTS...

THE ANSWER TO THAT QUES-TION...
WHY IS EVERYONE ARMED WITH SWORDS?
IS ONE THAT I SHALL EXPLAIN!
MA... MANAKA, WHY ARE YOU HERE?!
WOAH?!
I SNEAKED IN A LITTLE WHILE AGO.

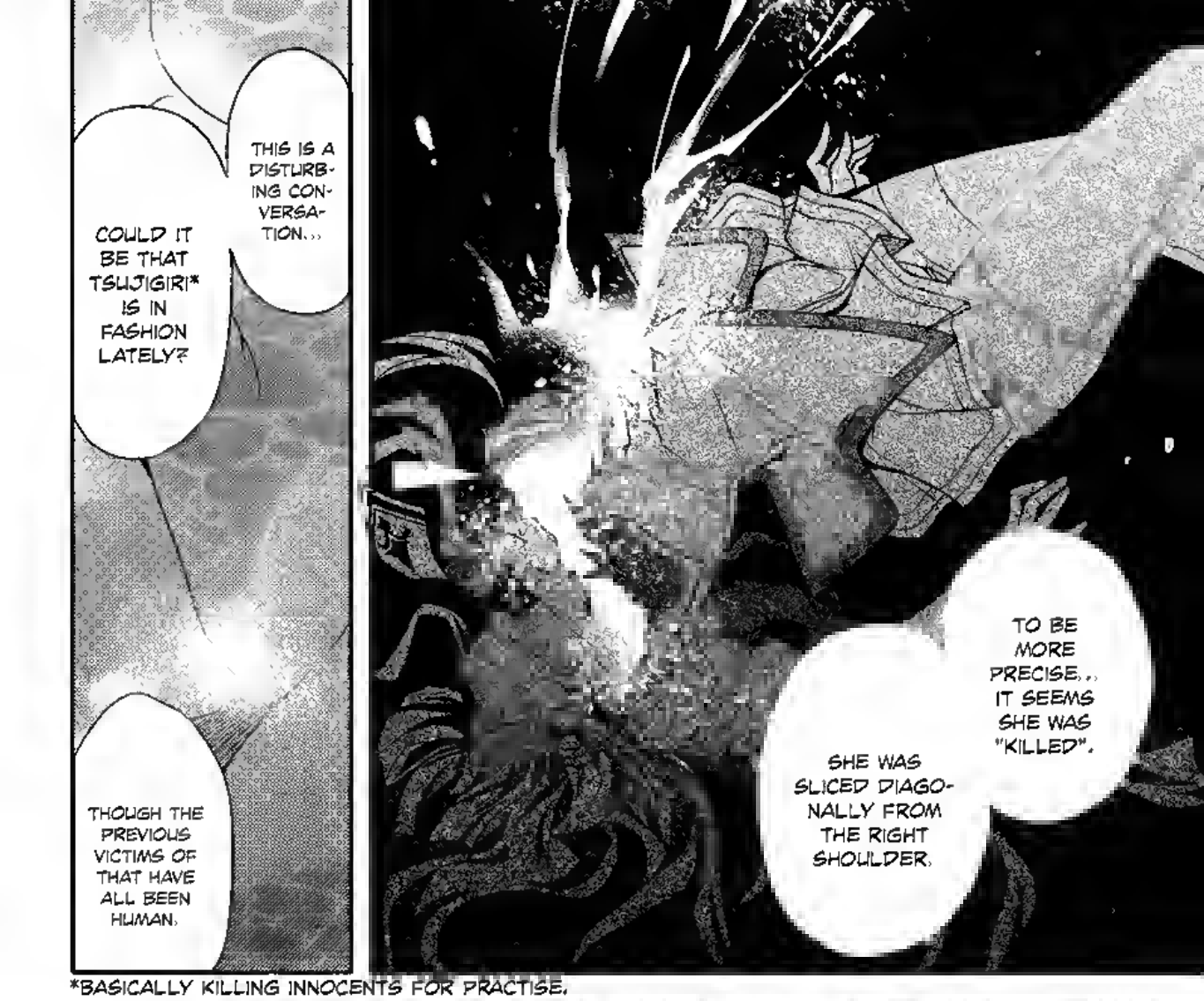
THERE WAS AN OFFICIAL NOTICE THIS MORNING FROM THE SCHOOL THAT ALL STUDENTS WOULD BE ARMED.
THEY MUST ALSO MAKE SURE TO TRAVEL IN GROUPS OF TWO OR MORE, AND GOING OUT AT NIGHT IS FORBIDDEN.
THERE WAS AN ASSAULT ON SCHOOL GROUNDS, SO TAKE IT SERIOUSLY.
ANYWAY... WE SHOULD GET OUT OF HERE BEFORE THE STUDENTS NOTICE.
LARS, TAG IN AND ESCORT THIS GIRL FOR A BIT!
LET'S GO, KUROU-KUN.
WHERE ARE WE GOING?
TO~ A~ VERY~ NICE~ PLACE~ ♪
GLOMP ♥
#11

チャプ
FWA-AAH...
THIS IS SO REFRESH-ING...
UHM...

WHY ARE WE IN THE GIRLS BATH?!
WHY? BECAUSE WE CAME HERE TO TAKE A BATH, OF COURSE.
WHY DID YOU MAKE ME GET IN TOO!?
AH, BUT YOU MUSTN'T LOOK AT ME TOO MUCH.
DON'T WORRY, I MADE SURE TO ADJUST THE WATER TEMPERATURE FOR YOU.
NO, IT'S NOT THE TEMPERATURE OF THE WATER...
THEN GET IN BY YOURSELF!
knock
knock
LISTEN, DISOBEY AND YOU'RE FIRED!
...YOU'RE REALLY FINE WITH ABUSING YOUR AUTHORITY LIKE THAT...?
OH, IT'S HERE! GOOD WORK!

I CAN'T BELIEVE SOMEONE FROM ANOTHER WORLD IS SAYING THAT...
YEAH! THIS I CAN'T DO WITHOUT!
THINK OF HOW MANY YEARS IT'S BEEN SINCE THE GREAT WAR!
JAPANESE SAKE IN THE BATH IS TO DIE FOR... DAMN, I'M GLAD I WAS BORN IN JAPAN!
NO, THE SUN CULT HAS BEEN QUIET. OMINOUSLY SO.
ARE YOU THAT BUSY? COULD IT BE... THE SUN CULT...?
BESIDES, I HAVE TO TAKE A BREAK FROM THAT BORING PAPERWORK NOW AND THEN.
SWORDIANS NOWADAYS ARE PRETTY MUCH BORN AND RAISED HERE.

HERE.
IF IT'S NOT THE SUN CULT... THEN WHAT'S GOING ON?
LOOK AT THAT FILE.
"MIGUNE"... SWORD ACADEMY, FEMALE STUDENT, TOP OF THE FIRST YEARS.
POSSESSES "SWORDSMAN" QUALIFICATIONS... HER MASTER IS SWORD PRINCESS RAGNOA...
HER FATHER IS A MEMBER OF THE SENATE... HM?
"DECEASED" ...?
Deceased
THAT'S RIGHT. THE GIRL IS DEAD.
IT HAPPENED JUST 10 DAYS AGO.


THIS IS A DISTURBING CONVERSATION...
COULD IT BE THAT TSUJIGIRI* IS IN FASHION LATELY?
THOUGH THE PREVIOUS VICTIMS OF THAT HAVE ALL BEEN HUMAN.
TO BE MORE PRECISE... IT SEEMS SHE WAS "KILLED".
SHE WAS SLICED DIAGONALLY FROM THE RIGHT SHOULDER.

*BASICALLY KILLING INNOCENTS FOR PRACTISE.

PERHAPS... THE GIRL'S BODY WAS DISCOVERED IN AN ALLEYWAY NEAR CAMPUS.
THERE'S AN INFORMATION LOCKDOWN, SINCE SUCH AN EXCELLENT STUDENT DIED SUCH AN INGLORIOUS DEATH.

MIGUNE WAS KILLED WITH ONE STROKE.
HMM...? ER... HUH?
THERE'S SOME CONNECTION BETWEEN THAT INCIDENT AND WHEN SEFI WAS ATTACKED ...?
BURNS ...?!
PART OF HER RIGHT HAND... BORE BURNS...
THOUGH IT WAS FORBIDDEN TO TALK ABOUT, IT LOOKS LIKE RUMORS OF MIGUNE'S DEATH ARE CIRCULATING AROUND CAMPUS.
...WITH SEFI BEING ATTACKED, THAT MEANS THE SCHOOL'S FIRST AND THIRD HIGHEST WERE BOTH ATTACKED IN A VERY SHORT PERIOD OF TIME.
MIGUNE WAS BY ALL ACCOUNTS A SKILLED GIRL, BUT IF SHE WAS SUDDENLY ATTACKED WITH MYSTIC ARTS...
THAT MEANS ...
THERE'S A POSSIBILITY THAT MYSTIC ARTS WERE INVOLVED?

WITH TWO ATTACKS AMIDST ALL OF THAT, A HIGH STATE OF ALERT IS IN PLACE...
I'LL BE LOOKING FOR THE CULPRIT TOO, FOR THE TIME BEING.
BUT I CAN'T DO ANYTHING ON THE SCHOOL GROUNDS, SINCE THE SCHOOL ISN'T MAKING A FORMAL REQUEST.
I SEE... I GET THE MESSAGE.
AT THE VERY LEAST, I WON'T ALLOW HER TO ACT OFF CAMPUS.
PLEASE, IF YOU WOULD... AND...
YOU NEED TO TAKE YOUR CLASSES SERIOUSLY!
YOU'RE THE ONE MAKING ME SKIP CLASS...
...SPEAKING OF WHICH,
THIS YEAR'S ACADEMIC TOURNAMENT STARTS TOMORROW.

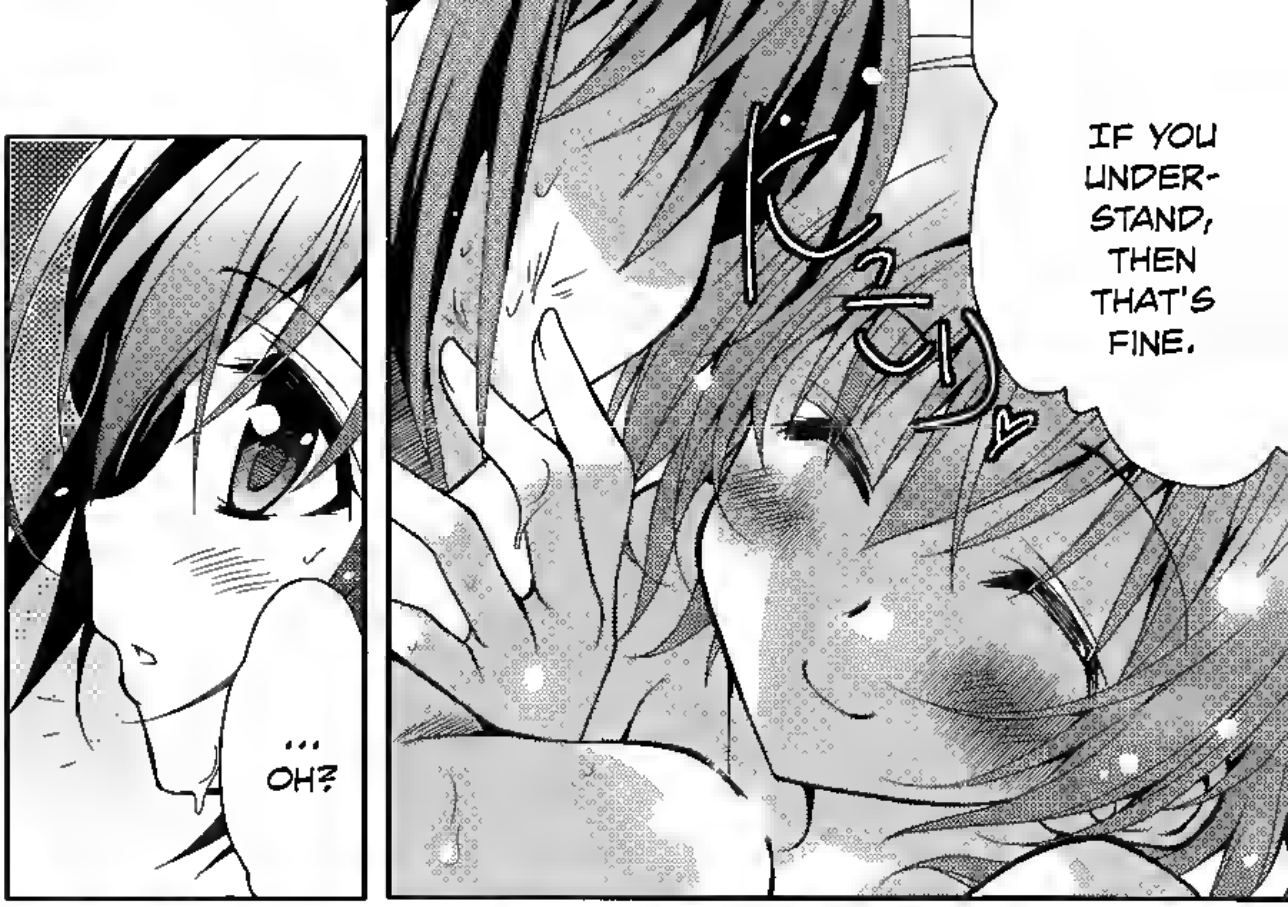
EH? REALLY?
YOU GOT INTO THIS SCHOOL BY VIRTUE OF YOUR SWORD SKILL ALONE,
SO IF YOU DON'T PERFORM WELL, YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO GRADUATE.
BUT IF I DO TOO WELL, THEY'RE GONNA RESENT ME FOR IT.
YOU UNDERSTAND THAT BECOMING STRONGER MEANS LEAVING OTHER PEOPLE BEHIND YOU, RIGHT?
YEAH, BUT...
...WHATEVER. IT'S ABOUT TIME FOR ME TO STEP OUT...
ONE MOMENT, KUROU-KUN.
...HUH?

...
MA-
MANA-
KA...
WHAT ARE YOU DOING...?

WHETHER YOU'RE A HUMAN OR NOT, YOU'RE STILL NEE-SAN'S...
...STILL SWORD SAINT HYOUKA'S DISCIPLE.
THAT'S MY LINE.
I-I UNDER STAND THAT...

BE IT A MYSTIC ART OR A SURPRISE ATTACK,
DON'T MISS EVEN ONE PHANTOM ATTACKER.
WHAT WOULD I DO IF THE DISCIPLE OF THE SWORD SAINT COMMITTED SUCH A BLUNDER?
...So that's it.

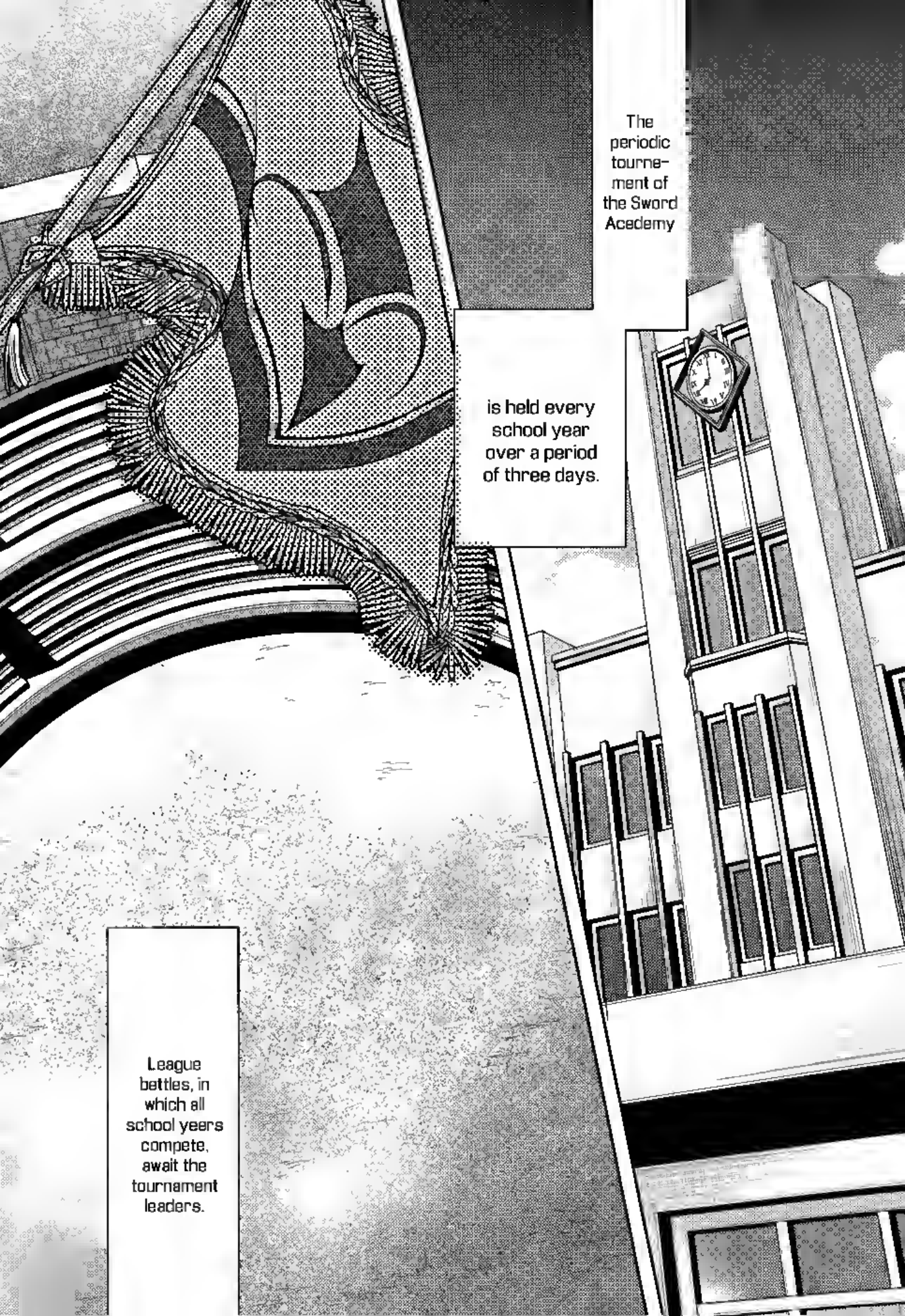
That's how much Manaka reveres the Sword Saint, her older sister... I know this well.
Sword General Manaka, one of the Seven Swords, would not permit dishonor to the Sword Saint's reputation any more than she would her own.
was to give me this lecture.
The real reason Manaka came today
I... I GET IT...
IF I DON'T TAKE IT SERIOUSLY, SHE REALLY WILL CRUSH MY CHEEK-BONES...
THEY'LL RESENT YOU...? DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH.
I'LL SLICE YOU UP.
IF YOU OFFER A DISGRACEFUL PERFORMANCE IN THE TOURNAMENT BECAUSE YOU'RE WORRYING ABOUT THAT...


IF YOU UNDER-STAND, THEN THAT'S FINE.
...OH?

KUROU-KUN... YOU HAVE A SCAR HERE.
IT LOOKS LIKE A SPLENDID SLASH.

AH... YEAH. I'VE USED SWORDS IN EARNEST SINCE I WAS A LITTLE KID, SO GETTING ONE SCAR IS...
THAT'S TRUE, I SUPPOSE. THOUGH THAT MAKES IT HARDER TO UNDERSTAND WHY YOU HAVE SUCH A DETESTABLE ATTITUDE.
IN FACT, IT'S A WASTE FOR YOU TO HAVE SUCH A CUTE FACE.

...
"DETES-
TABLE"
IS A BIT
MUCH.
DON'T GET
HURT IN
THE TOUR-
NAMENT.
DO YOUR
BEST,
KUROU-KUN.
THOUGH
I CAN'T
SAY THAT
IT'LL BE
A CERTAIN
VICTORY.
AFTER
ALL...
"THAT
ONE" WILL
BE THERE
TOO.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League bettles, in which all school yeers compete, await the tournament leaders.

SO LET'S... KICK ASS?
A TOURNA-MENT DURING A SPREE OF ASSAULTS...
THERE CERTAINLY WON'T BE A SHORTAGE OF ACTION, HUH?
YEAH. I'M GONNA HAVE TO KICK SOME ASS...

...BUT I'LL FIND OUT WHO IT IS...!
The assailant, the one who killed the highest ranked female student,
might not just be hard for Sefi to deal with, but for me too...
A SHADOW DRAWS NEAR BEHIND KUROU... NEXT TIME, THE CASE BREAKS OPEN...?!
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...No matter what I do it would seem that
WE HAVE BUSINESS WITH YOU.
my very existence is a nuisance to these young ladies.
CARNAGE...!!

The first day of the Sword Academy Tournament...
IN THE MIDDLE OF A DUEL WITH REAL SWORDS---
WHOA!
YOU COULD SEE THAT GIRL'S PANTIES.

...I BELIEVE KUROU SAYS MANY THINGS FAR TOO BLUNTLY.
SO YOU SAY, BUT THE MATCHES AREN'T ESPECIALLY INTERESTING.
THE FUN THAT PANTIES AND SWAYING LOW-CUT OUTFITS BRING IS A SAVING GRACE.
BOING
BOING
...I THINK I MENTIONED THIS BEFORE, BUT...
WHY IS THAT?
IT'S NOT GOOD TO BLURT OUT LARS' NAME SO OPENLY.
OH.
LARS HAS APPEARED.
LARS IS THE SAME AS SEFI...
HE'S A CHILD OF THE FOUR GENERALS.
BEGIN!

THE TITLES NOWADAYS REFER TO THE DESCENDANTS OF THE ORIGINAL FOUR GENERALS, THOSE WHO LED THE SWORDIES DURING THE WORLD'S GREAT WAR.
FOUR GENERALS...?
WHEN THE WAR WAS OVER, THEY BECAME THE GREATEST POWERS IN THE SWORDIE GOVERNMENT, A STATUS THAT REMAINS UNCHANGED OVER GENERATIONS.
PUT SIMPLY, SEFI AND LARS HAVE SOCIAL STANDINGS NEAR THE PINNACLE OF THIS COUNTRY.
WOW.
KUH ...
WINNER: LARS!

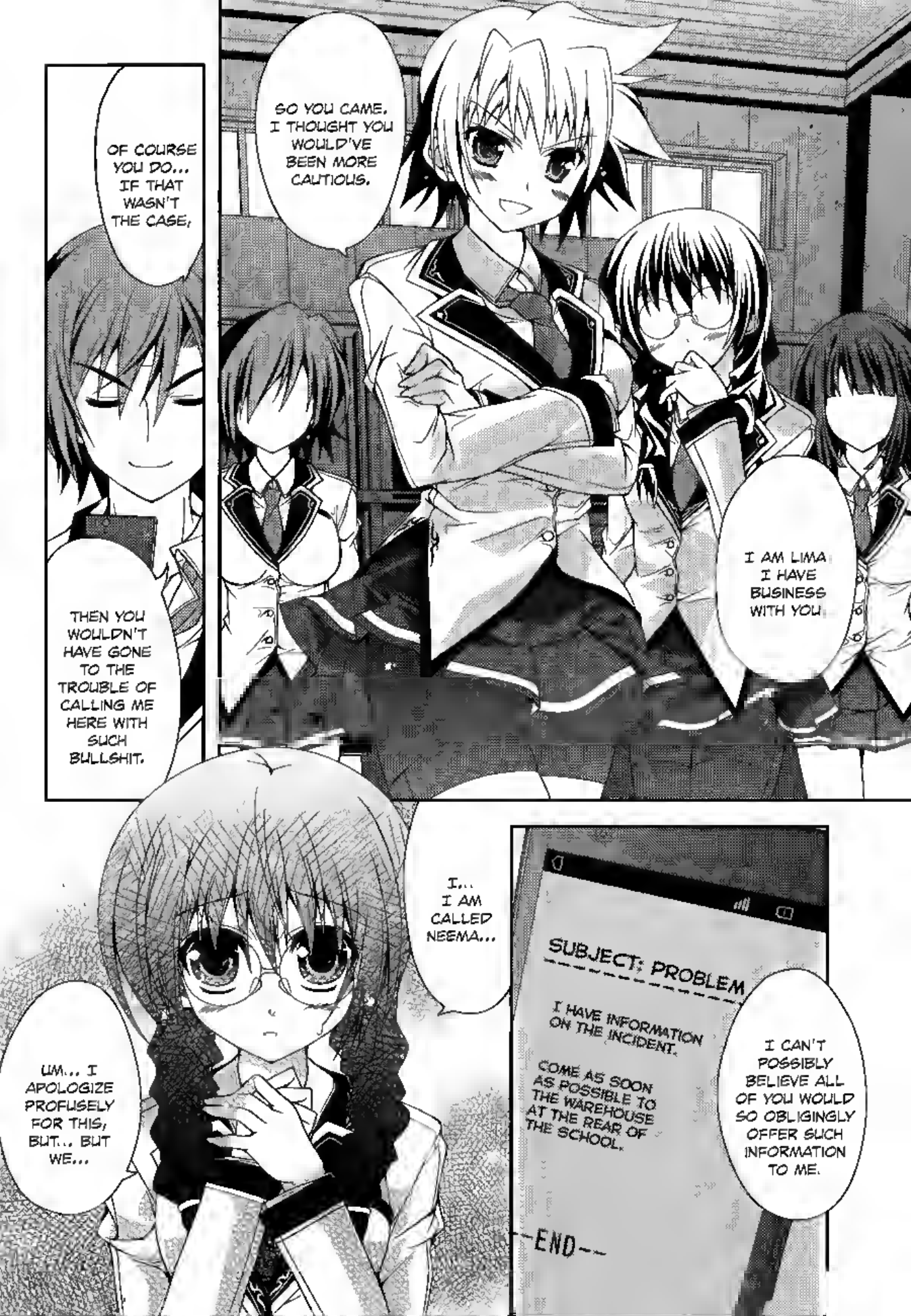
HUH...? HE WON FAIRLY EASILY, DIDN'T HE?
AREN'T SWORDIE MALES GENERALLY WEAK?
THOUGH THAT IS USUALLY THE CASE, THERE ARE SOME SWORDIE MEN WHO ARE STRONG.
LARS IS ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE.

A FIEND ...
SIGH... I'M WATCHING ANOTHER BOUT BUT IT'S NOT THE LEAST BIT INTEREST ING

...HM?

...THE SWORDIES HAVE A STRANGE TALE
OF A FIEND INHABITING THE SWORD OF A POWERFUL SWORDIE MALE.
SUCH SUPERSTI- TIONS EXIST.

...JUST AN EXCUSE TO SLIP AWAY.
HAS SOMETHING HAPPENED, KUROU?
...HMPH.
HEEEY, I KNOW YOU'RE HERE!
I HAVEN'T GOT ALL DAY, SO COME ON OUT!


SO YOU CAME. I THOUGHT YOU WOULD'VE BEEN MORE CAUTIOUS.
OF COURSE YOU DO... IF THAT WASN'T THE CASE,
I AM LIMA I HAVE BUSINESS WITH YOU
THEN YOU WOULDN'T HAVE GONE TO THE TROUBLE OF CALLING ME HERE WITH SUCH BULLSHIT.
I... I AM CALLED NEEMA...
SUBJECT: PROBLEM
I HAVE INFORMATION ON THE INCIDENT.
COME AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO THE WAREHOUSE AT THE REAR OF THE SCHOOL.
--END--
I CAN'T POSSIBLY BELIEVE ALL OF YOU WOULD SO OBLIGINGLY OFFER SUCH INFORMATION TO ME.
UM... I APOLOGIZE PROFUSELY FOR THIS, BUT... BUT WE...

WE CANNOT ACCEPT THAT YOU WON AGAINST SEFI-SAMA ...!
AH... SO THAT'S WHAT IT IS.
YOU'RE A GROUP WHO LOVE SEFI'S SWORDS-MAN-SHIP...
...?!

...?!
EVERYONE, DOWN!!
UWAH ...!

DON'T MOVE! EVERYONE, FREEZE!
BEHAVE AND WE'LL SPARE YOUR LIVES!
WE HAVE BUT ONE OBJECTIVE...
WE'LL HAVE YOU RETURN THE MAIDEN OF THE SUN!!
THE SUN CULT...?!

YOU AGAIN ...?
YOU TOOK THE WORDS RIGHT OUT OF MY MOUTH!
WHY ARE YOU ALWAYS GETTING IN MY WAY?
YOU EVEN BROUGHT GUNS. YOU GUYS MUST BE PRETTY SERIOUS THIS TIME.
I AM ALWAYS SERIOUS...
HAND OVER THE MAIDEN OF THE SUN!

DO YOU WANT TO GO BACK, SUN MAIDEN?
NO.

THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH WHAT YOU DESIRE. YOU SHALL COME WITH US.
EH~ I DON'T WANT TO.
YOU HEARD HER; YOU CAN'T HAVE HER BACK. YOU'LL JUST HAVE TO LET THIS ONE GO.

NOW! SEND THE MAIDEN OF THE SUN OVER HE--

HOW CAN YOU... BE THAT CALM?
DON'T YOU UNDER-STAND THE SITUATION?!

I WOULD [illegible] THAT YOU, SUN CULT MEMBERS STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND WHO AND WHAT I AM.
WILL I [illegible] TO KILL ALL BUT ONE OF YOU IN ORDER TO CONVEY THE MESSAGE?
HUH?
STILL... I CAN'T KEEP STRAY BULLETS FROM GETTING TO THEM...

YOU'RE TREM-BLING.
!
SHUT UP! ANYWAY, JUST HAND HER OVER!
THE MAIDEN OF THE SUN...
IS THE HOPE OF ALL HUMANITY!!

SEFI-SAMA ...?!
SE...
IT CAN'T BE HELPED. I'LL LEND YOU A HAND.
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